

May 1, 2002

Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: **EX PARTE**
ET Docket No. 95-18; IB Docket 01-185

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 1, 2002, on behalf of ICO Global Communications (Holdings) Ltd., Craig McCaw, Gerry Salemme, and the undersigned met with Chairman Michael Powell and Peter Tenhula, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell. During the meeting ICO emphasized the need for expeditious action in the MSS flexibility proceeding in order to proceed apace with ICO system upgrades, and highlighted the critical role of MSS in delivery of broadband services, particularly in rural and unserved areas. ICO also stressed that MSS would be rendered infeasible if independent terrestrial providers are allowed to operate in MSS spectrum.

In accordance with section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, I am submitting an electronic copy of this letter. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Suzanne Hutchings
Suzanne Hutchings
ICO Global Communications (Holdings) Ltd.

cc: Peter Tenhula